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4. CATEGORY DESCRIPTOR - A CATEGORY DESCRIPTOR IS ASSIGNED BY THE FIELD COMPONENT FOR EACH EMPLOYEE BASED ON HIS/HER OVERALL EVALUATION. INCLUDED IN THIS EVALUATION ARE THE PAST PERFORMANCE RECORD, CAPABILITIES AND POTENTIAL FOR GROWTH. (SEE PARA 4E BELOW FOR AN EXPLANATION OF POTENTIAL). MOST EMPLOYEES ARE CONSIDERED TO BE GOOD PERFORMERS AND COULD RECEIVE A RATING OF CATEGORY III. ANY EMPLOYEE WHO EXCEEDS THIS RATING, BUT IS NOT SUPERIOR, WOULD BE RATED AS CATEGORY II. ONLY THOSE EMPLOYEES WHO ARE TRULY SUPERIOR ARE RATED CATEGORY I. POOR PERFORMERS (BELOW THE ACCEPTABLE STANDARDS ARE CONSIDERED CATEGORY IV). INDIVIDUAL CATEGORY

CONTRIBUTING FACTOR TO THE TOTAL EVALUATION. PAR NARRATIVES SHOULD

ADDRESS THE FACTORS LISTED ON THE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FORM AND

THE HEADQUARTERS REVIEW BOARD WORK SHEETS.

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DEFINITIONS FOLLOW:

- A. CATEGORY I THESE EMPLOYEES POSSESS AND ARE PRESENTLY USING EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE AND TALENTS TO A DEGREE THAT IS CLEARLY EXCEPTIONAL IN COMPARISON WITH THEIR PEERS. THEY EXCEL IN CURRENT JOB ASSIGNMENTS. THEIR PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS AND WORK PERFORMANCE CLEARLY SUGGEST THE POTENTIAL FOR RAPID UPWARD MOVEMENT THROUGH POSITIONS OF INCREASINGLY GREATER RESPONSIBILITY, PERFORMING STRONGLY IN EACH JOB ASSIGNMENT. THEY WILL REQUIRE MINIMAL TIME TO INCREASE THEIR POTENTIAL IN THIS UPWARD PROGRESSION. THEIR PERFORMANCE WOULD BE SUPERIOR IN ANY JOB WITHIN THEIR LEVEL AND IN MANY JOBS WITHIN THE NEXT HIGHER LEVEL.
- B. CATEGORY II THESE EMPLOYEES POSSESS AND ARE USING EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE AND TALENTS TO PERFORM STRONGLY. THEIR PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS AND WORK PERFORMANCE INDICATE A CAPABILITY FOR STEADY ADVANCEMENT UPWARD THROUGH POSITIONS OF INCREASINGLY GREATER RESPONSIBILITY, PERFORMING STRONGLY IN EACH JOB ASSIGNMENT. THEY HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO INCREASE THEIR POTENTIAL IN EACH JOB. THEY COULD PERFORM IN AN OUTSTANDING MANNER IN ANY JOB WITHIN THEIR LEVEL AND IN SOME JOBS WITHIN THE NEXT HIGHER LEVEL.
- C. CATEGORY III THESE EMPLOYEES POSSESS AND ARE USING EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE AND TALENTS TO PERFORM WELL IN POSITIONS AT THEIR CURRENT GRADE LEVEL BUT HAVE NOT DEMONSTRATED THE POTENTIAL TO PERFORM SUCCESSFULLY AT HIGHER LEVELSOF RESPONSIBILITY. THEIR PERSONAL FILES AND WORK PERFORMANCE TEND TO INDICATE THEY ARE CLOSE TO REALIZING OR HAVE REALIZED THEIR POTENTIAL. THEY COULD PERFORM SATISFACTORILY IN ANY JOB WITHIN THEIR LEVEL BUT AT THIS TIME IN FEW JOBS WITHIN THE NEXT HIGHER LEVEL.
- D. CATEGORY IV THESE EMPLOYEES MAY OR MAY NOT POSSESS EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE AND TALENTS TO PERFORM SATISFACTORILY; HOWEVER, THEIR OVERALL WORK PERFORMANCE REFLECTS SPECIFIC DEFICIENCIES OR THE INABILITY TO MEET IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF WORK REQUIREMENTS. THEIR POTENTIAL FOR GROWTH SHOWS NO EVIDENCE OF IMPROVEMENT IN THEIR CURRENT JOB ASSIGNMENT.
- E. POTENTIAL THIS IS AN EVALUATION OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S CAPABILITY TO ASSUME HIGHER-LEVEL RESPONSIBILITIES, AND TO DEVELOP, GROW AND ADVANCE IN SUBSTANTIVE ASSIGNMENTS AND/OR MANAGERIAL POSITIONS. AT THE HIGHER LEVELS, I.E. LEVEL IV, POTENTIAL SHOULD BE EVALUATED AS THE EXTENT AN INDIVIDUAL'S YEARS OF EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, TALENTS AND SKILLS CAN BE APPLIED TO A VARIETY OF ASSIGNMENTS WITHIN OC, ELSEWHERE IN THE ORGANIZATION, OR THE COMMUNITY.
- 5. AREA AND COMPONENT EVALUATIONS WILL BE PERFORMED BY A BOARD OF SENIOR EMPLOYEES FROM BAND LEVEL IV. EVALUATIONS ARE TO BE BASED ON AN EMPLOYEE'S PERFORMANCE AS IT RELATES TO THE JOB REQUIREMENT, AND SHOULD NOT BE A COMPARATIVE EVALUATION AGAINST PEERS.
- 6. A COMPLETED PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FORM (PAF) WILL BE SUBMITTED ON ALL OC CAREERISTS UNDER THE BANDING MERIT PAY SYSTEM. A RATING OF THREE (3) IS TO BE USED AS "AVERAGE" WHEN RATING AN EMPLOYEE ON INTERPERSONAL RELATIONS, CREATIVITY, DEDICATION, JUDGEMENT, INITIATIVE AND SELF-EXPRESSION. WHEN AWARDING A RATING NUMBER AVOID THE SPLASH-OVER EFFECT OF HIGH OR LOW RATINGS IN SIMILAR CATEGORIES, E.G., CREATIVITY AND INITIATIVE. THE COMMENTS SECTION OF THE PAF SHOULD BE COMPLETED ON EVERY EMPLOYEE TO EXPLAIN OR HIGHLIGHT THE NUMERICAL RATINGS, AND/OR PROVIDE THE HEADQARTERS REVIEW BOARD WITH AN INDIVIDUAL'S GENERAL STANDING. THE PAF SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A COUNSELING TOOL AND MUST BE DISCUSSED WITH THE EMPLOYEE UPON REQUEST.
 - 7. AN EXPLANATION OF PAF CATEGORIES FOLLOWS:
- A. SUPERVISION THIS RATING IS ASSIGNED TO ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS DEMONSTRATED SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES DURING THE RATING



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PERIOD. THIS RATING (AND RELATED DUTY) MUST BE REFLECTED ON THE ANNUAL PAR. THE EMPLOYEE MUST HAVE SUPERVISED AT LEAST ONE INDIVIDUAL FOR APPROXIMATELY 50 PERCENT OF THE TIME DURING THE TOTAL RATING PERIOD. IS THE INDIVIDUAL A GOOD ROLE MODEL AND TEACHER?

- B. LEADERSHIP THIS RATING WILL BE USED FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO DO NOT QUALIFY FOR THE CRITERIA UNDER THE HEADING AS A SUPERVISOR BUT WHO DESERVE A RATING AS A POTENTIAL OR PROVEN LEADER. INDIVIDUALS IN THIS CATEGORY HAVE DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP SKILLS BUT HAVE NOT HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUPERVISE. LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL IS BEING EVALUATED.
- C. DC TENURE THE EXPERIENCE IN OC IS BEING ADDRESSED IN THIS CATEGORY. TENURE IS DEFINED BASED ON THE EOD DATE IN OC VERSUS THE ORGANIZATION. COMPONENTS ASSIGN A VALUE BASED ON THIS DATE. TENURE WILL BE ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST WHOLE YEAR.

- E. INTERPERSONAL RELATIONS CONSIDER THE INDIVIDUAL'S ABILITY TO REPRESENT THE COMPONENT, OFFICE, ORGANIZATION, AND TO WORK EFFECTIVELY WITH SUBORDINATES, PEERS, AND SUPERVISORS. IS THE EMPLOYEE A TEAM PLAYER?
- F. CREATIVITY CONSIDER EITHER THE INNOVATIVE OR PROBLEM SOLVING ASPECTS. THE INDIVIDUAL'S ABILITY TO RECOGNIZE PROBLEMS, AND TO CHOOSE LOGICAL SOLUTIONS WITH DISCRIMINATE USE OF RESOURCES. ALSO, THE INDIVIDUAL'S TALENT FOR SUGGESTING AND DEVELOPING METHODS OR PROCEDURES AND THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL RECOGNIZES AND SUPPORTS SUGGESTIONS MADE BY OTHERS.
- G. DEDICATION CONSIDER HOW RESPONSIVE THE INDIVIDUAL IS TO THE NEEDS OF THE OFFICE AND HOW DISCIPLINED, DEPENDABLE AND PUNCTUAL HE/SHE IS IN DIFFICULT SITUATIONS.
- H. JUDGEMENT CONSIDER THE INDIVIDUAL'S ABILITY TO MAKE SOUND RECOMMENDATIONS AND CORRECT DECISIONS, ESPECIALLY WHEN THE AVAILABLE INFORMATION IS INCOMPLETE, AMBIGUOUS, OR CONFLICTING.
- I. INITIATIVE CONSIDER THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFIES NEEDS, ORGANIZES, DEVISES AND UNDERTAKES ADDITIONAL TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND TAKES ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITIES TO OFFER MEANINGFUL CONTRIBUTIONS. ALSO, CONSIDER THE AMOUNT OF SUPERVISION THE INDIVIDUAL REQUIRES, AND EFFORTS MADE TOWARD SELF-IMPROVEMENT.
- J. SELF EXPRESSION FOR WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE CONSIDER GRAMMAR, CLARITY, ORGANIZATION, AND THE ABILITY TO USE A STYLE APPROPRIATE FOR THE TASK. FOR ORAL COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDER THE ABILITY TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION, THE EASE WITH WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL ASKS FOR AND SHARES INFORMATION WITH OTHERS AND IF THE INDIVIDUAL LISTENS ATTENTIVELY.
- 8. REASSIGNMENT PAFS AND A COPY OF THE PAR FOR EMPLOYEES TRANSFERRING FROM ONE OC COMPONENT TO ANOTHER WITHIN AN EVALUATION CYCLE WILL BE FORWARDED ELECTRICALLY TO THE GAINING COMPONENT UPON PCS DEPARTURE. THE GAINING COMPONENT SHOULD USE THIS INFORMATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH ITS OWN EVALUATION ASSESSMENT AND THEN SUBMIT ONE PAF TO HQS FOR REVIEW BOARD DELIBERATIONS. EMPLOYEES WILL BE IDENTIFIED BY EMPLOYEE NUMBER ONLY IN ALL ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSIONS. IF AN EMPLOYEE'S ASSIGNMENT IS CHANGED WHILE IN TRANSIT, THE EMPLOYEE'S PAF WILL BE FORWARDED BY THE OLD GAINING COMPONENT TO THE NEW GAINING COMPONENT. THE 120 DAY POLICY FOR COMPLETING PARS

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NECESSITATED BY REASSIGNMENT OF EITHER THE SUPERVISOR OR THE EMPLOYEE IS STILL IN EFFECT. IN ADDITION TO THIS POLICY, IF THE HQS REVIEW BOARD IS SCHEDULED TO CONVENE WITHIN 120 DAYS OF AN EMPLOYEES PCS DEPARTURE FROM POST, A PAF MUST BE SENT DIRECT TO HQS.

- 9. BAND LEVEL PROMOTION RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE PAF MUST INCLUDE A STATEMENT CERTIFYING THAT THE EMPLOYEE HAS MET ALL CRITERIA FOR PROMOTION TO THAT BAND LEVEL AS OUTLINED BELOW:
 - A. REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY INTO TCO LEVEL II.
 - 1) MINIMUM OVERALL 4 RATING ON CURRENT PAR
 - (2) MUST HAVE MET ALL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR TCO LEVEL II
 - (3) COMPLETION OF ORGANIZATION 3-YEAR TRIAL PERIOD
 - (4) RYBAT AND SECURITY ACCEPTABLE
 - (5) MUST HAVE COMPLETED A MINIMUM OF 3-YEARS IN PANEL MCD
 - (6) RECOMMENDATION BY COMPONENT CHIEF
 - (7) CATEGORY DESCRIPTOR I, II, OR III
 - B. REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY INTO TCO LEVEL III.
 - 1) MINIMUM OVERALL RATING OF 5 ON CURRENT PAR
 - (2) MUST HAVE MET ALL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR TCO LEVEL III
 - (3) MINIMUM OF TWO PCS ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDING ONE OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENT
 - (4) CATEGORY DESCRIPTOR I, II, OR III
 - (5) RYBAT AND SECURITY ACCEPTABLE
 - (6) RECOMMENDATION BY COMPONENT CHIEF
 - C. REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY INTO TCM LEVEL III.
 - 1) MINIMUM OVERALL RATING OF 5 ON CURRENT PAR
 - (2) MUST HAVE MET ALL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR TCM LEVEL III
 - (3) ORGANIZATION RETIREMENT QUALIFIED
 - (4) ONE TO TWO YEARS EXPERIENCE AS MANAGER (MUST HAVE SUPERVISED AT LEAST ONE PERSON)
 - (5) MINIMUM OF TWO PCS ASSIGNMENTS, INCLUDING ONE OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENT
 - (6) RYBAT AND SECURITY ACCEPTABLE
 - (7) MINIMUM CATEGORY DESCRIPTOR II
 - (8) MUST HAVE PARTICIPATED IN MANAGEMENT RELATED TRAINING COURSES SUCH AS: MANAGERIAL, COUNSELING, WRITING, PUBLIC SPEAKING, WORD PROCESSOR, COMPUTER ETC.
 - (9) RECOMMENDATION BY COMPONENT CHIEF
 - D. REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY INTO TCM LEVEL IV.
 - (1) MINIMUM OVERALL RATINN OF 5 ON CURRENT PAR
 - (2) MINIMUM OF TWO PCS CONUS ASSIGNMENTS AND THREE PCS OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENTS
 - (3) MUST HAVE ONE TOUR AS STAFF OFFICER (2 YEARS)
 - (4) MUST HAVE EXPERIENCE AS SECTION OR BRANCH CHIEF (2 YEARS MINIMUM)
 - (5) MINIMUM CATEGORY DESCRIPTOR II
 - (6) MINIMUM PAR RATING OF 5 FOR MANAGERIAL/ SUPERVISORY DUTIES
 - (7) RYBAT AND SECURITY ACCEPTABLE
 - (8) RECOMMENDATION OF COMPONENT CHIEF
 - (9) ALL PROMOTIONS TO TCM LEVEL IV WILL BE FROM TCM LEVEL III

10. RECOMMENDED TRAINING FOR PROMOTION FROM BAND TO BAND IS AS FOLLOWS:



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BAND LEVEL		TRAINING RECOMMENDATIONS
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OPERATIONS		ESSENTIALS OF WRITING (OR EQUIVALENT) TRENDS AND HIGHLIGHTS URBAN AWARENESS LEADERSHIP STYLES AND BEHAVIOR ORGANIZATION TODAY AND TOMORROW PAR WORKSHOP MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT COURSE COUNSELING COURSE BRIEFING TECHNIQUES INSTRUCTOR TRAINING WORKSHOP AND INSTRUCTIONAL SYSTEMS DESIGN (FOR INSTRUCTORS) OC MANAGEMENT SEMINAR
SPECIALIST		MID-CAREER ADVANCED MANAGEMENT TIME MANAGEMENT ADVANCED INTELLIGENCE SEMINAR PROGRAM ON CREATIVE MANAGEMENT CENTER FOR CREATIVE LEADERSHIP WAR COLLEGE (ONE OF SEVERAL)
SENIOR OFFIC	ER [.]	STAFF COLLEGE APPOINTMENTS ORGANIZATION SODP CORE AND WORKSHOPS
BAND; ONE BO AND BELOW, A MIDPOINT. T	ARD WILL EVALUA ND A DIFFERENT O MAINTAIN CONT	LUATION BOARDS WILL BE ESTABLISHED FOR EACH ATE ALL EMPLOYEES IN THAT BAND MIDPOINT BOARD WILL EVALUATE ALL EMPLOYEES ABOVE FINUITY, EVALUATION BOARDS SHOULD BE DUAL FOR THE FIRST EVALUATION CYCLE.
THE TOTAL SO HEADQUARTERS ANNOTATING T	ORES IN THE PAR ALONG WITH THE HOSE EMPLOYEES	BE NUMERICALLY RANK ORDER LISTED BASED ON F. THIS LIST WILL BE FORWARDED TO E PAFS, AND SHOULD HAVE A COLUMN WHO MEET ALL THE CRITERIA AND ARE TO THE NEXT BAND LEVEL.
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